

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| n re the Application of                               | )                        |
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| Steven P. Bermes                                      | ) Group Art Unit: 3724   |
| Serial No.: 10/078,981                                | )                        |
| Filed: February 20, 2002                              | ) Examiner: Stephen Choi |
| Title: Process and Tool for Cutting Manafilament Line | j                        |

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed November 24, 2003. A check for the extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)) is attached.

An Amendment responsive to the outstanding Office Action is being filed simultaneously herewith.

Please charge any additional fees due for effecting the filing of the enclosed Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account No. 16-0248. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted.

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